

MILLION FREE SMOKE.

Rival of the American Tobacco Company to Give Away 1,000,000 Cigarettes.

War Against the Trust by the Plug Tobacco Makers Carried into the East.

DRUMMOND CO. HEADS THE FIGHT.

It Arose from the Cigarette Trust Invading the Territory of the Western Men, and is Being Waged with Bitterness.

The retail tobaccoists and consumers of cigarettes are shortly to be treated to 1,000,000 cigarettes which are to be distributed free in New York City by Plugs Brothers, cigarette manufacturers, of No. 265 Broadway, as agents for the Drummond Tobacco Company, of St. Louis.

The combination of plug tobacco manufacturers organized in St. Louis about six months ago, for the purpose of fighting the Cigarette Trust, otherwise known as the American Tobacco Company, is preparing to wage a bitter war on the Trust in its Eastern strongholds, and the distribution of the 1,000,000 is the preliminary skirmish.

The new combination includes the Drummond Tobacco Company, the Leggett, the Lorillard, P. J. Sarg and other big producers of plug tobacco. It was organized at the Laclede Hotel, in St. Louis, last August, and was the result of an alleged violation on the part of the Trust of an agreement made with the plug tobacco men not to enter into competition with them in their own territory in the sale of plug and smoking tobacco.

FIRST MOVE IN THE FIGHT.
The Drummond company was selected as the fighting representative of the alliance, and it immediately erected a factory with a capacity of half a million cigarettes daily. Only one brand of cigarettes is to be made, and the cigarettes were boxed in lots of twenty and sold for five cents. As an extra inducement, one copper cent was enclosed in each box. For the past few months the West and Southwest have been flooded with these cigarettes, much to the detriment of the American Tobacco Company's trade in those sections.

At a meeting a month ago the plug tobacco men decided to carry the war into the East, but the movement has been delayed, because of the inability of the Drummond factory to keep up with its orders. The capital of the concern was, therefore, increased by the company so as to enable it to double its output.

The five cigarettes will be put out in a systematic way, soon after the first of the year, by the poorest newsboy should not have his cigarette before breakfast.

It is said in the tobacco trade that the combine is losing money by selling a good grade of cigarettes at twenty for five cents, but there is unlimited capital behind the venture, and the movement is not to worry the Trust into dissolution will be made.

CARRYING THE WAR INTO AFRICA.
Other cities in the East will also be attacked in the same way. It is estimated that the combined capital of the belligerent concerns is \$200,000,000. The Drummond company is nominally a separate corporation, in its present form it is really a creation of the combination.

The American Tobacco Company was organized in 1892, under the laws of New Jersey, and at once it absorbed every large cigarette factory. It has endeavored to maintain the monopoly by means of iron-clad contracts with jobbers, but its incursion into the plug tobacco trade has brought it into its present difficulties.

JUROR HAD HEART DISEASE.
Couldn't Stand the Excitement of a Homicide Case and Was Excused.

While securing the jury to try Michael McGowan, who is charged with the murder of his sweetheart, Rose Flinn, in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court, yesterday, Herman Schneidtmacher, of No. 415 East Houston street, the fifth juror, informed Justice Smith that he had heart disease. He said that he did not think he could stand the excitement of a homicide case, and asked to be excused. Dr. Newton, the alienist, who was in the courtroom, was seen by Justice Smith and called to the bench. He was requested to examine the juror and give his opinion as to whether he should be excused or not.

Dr. Newton, after making an examination, told Justice Smith that the juror had some organic trouble, and that any excitement might prove dangerous. He was then excused.

His seat was quickly filled and the work of completing the jury was continued up to 6:30 o'clock, when the twelfth juror was sworn. The case will be opened this morning by Assistant District Attorney McIntyre. It is said that the defense will contend that McGowan was insane at the time of the shooting, and must expert testimony will be introduced.

WILL SUE FOR HER DIAMONDS.

Mrs. Barnes Fails to Get Them from the Police and Will Bring an Action.

Mrs. Frances Barnes, of Seventy-second street and Central Park West, whose residence was robbed about three weeks ago of diamonds and jewelry valued at \$10,000, drove to Police Headquarters yesterday, accompanied by her counsel, and claimed the two large unset diamonds and the \$225 in cash which were taken from her person. William King, who is charged with having committed the robbery.

Mrs. Barnes positively identified the jewelry and says that she had been operating under the presumption that it represents part of the proceeds of the sale of her jewels. Mrs. Barnes has a deposit of \$500 in a bank, and she will claim this also on the ground that it resulted from the sale of her jewels. Acting Captain O'Brien will find out when the money was deposited.

Property Clerk Harriott declined to turn over either the diamonds or the money, but Mrs. Barnes, and suggested that a claim for both should be brought through the courts. Mrs. Barnes authorized her lawyer to bring an action.

Juror Had a Fit in Court.
W. Gray Collins, of No. 688 East One Hundred and Forty-third street, who is serving as a petit juror in Part I. of the Court of General Sessions, had an epileptic fit as he was leaving the court room yesterday afternoon. He was within a few feet of the door when he fell. He struck his head on the sharp edge of a chair, and received a severe wound. Mr. Collins was attended by Dr. Bowers, of the Health Board, and was sent to his home in a cab.

Railway Ticket Office Robbed.
Atlantic Highlands, Jan. 7.—The station ticket office of the Central Railroad was robbed today at noon of \$30. The ticket agent, Samuel P. Patterson, left the office shortly before noon for dinner, and in his absence the thief entered the waiting room and climbed over the partition enclosing the ticket office and pried open the cash drawer. A boy named H. Bailey was taken before Judge Ellis on suspicion, but was discharged, no evidence being produced against him.

Reception to Be Given Miss Foster.
The Harlem Auxiliary to the Republican Club will tender a reception to Mrs. E. J. Foster, President W. R. N. A., on January 14, at 8 p. m., at the Lenox Club rooms. The officers are Mrs. E. F. Friedmanberg, president; Mrs. Chase, vice-president; Miss E. J. Friedmanberg, secretary; Mrs. C. Southworth, secretary. The Auxiliary Club meets every Monday afternoon in the clubhouse. Representative women are invited to attend.

MISS HARDING'S SAD END.

Samuel Clark Talks of the Suicide and the Colony Her Father Founded.

Samuel Clark, who represents in this city Fountain Grove, in Santa Rosa, Cal., where Mary M. Harding, the sixteen-year-old granddaughter of Thomas Lake Harris, the founder of the Fountain Grove Colony, committed suicide, said yesterday he knew Miss Harding well. In fact, he said, his wife had had charge of the girl for some years. His family are very intimate with the Harris and the Hardings.

Mr. Clark said that Miss Harding was a pretty and lovable girl, of gentle disposition. She was exceedingly bright, educated and of a studious nature. But from her childhood she had been subject to occasional fits of insanity. Nothing else could have caused her to take her own life, he said.

Regarding Fountain Grove and its founder, Clark said that Thomas Lake Harris had established a free-love colony when he founded Fountain Grove, Mr. Clark said that was erroneous.

"Mr. Harris," said Mr. Clark, "was anything but a free-lover. The Fountain Grove Colony he established was simply a school for the common good. It was not a success, and so he sold out to Lay, a wealthy man of a studious nature. Lay really turned Fountain Grove into the famous vineyard that it is today."

"It is not true," continued Mr. Clark, "that Lay was a free-lover. He was a Christian. He took advantage of Harris's overcredulity, and admitted him into the colony, well taken care of, and then he went all over the country to denounce him. I have not seen Harris since he left the colony. He is now in California, in the Street Cleaning Commission."

TAX RATE WILL BE HIGHER.

Assessed Valuation of City Property Is, However, Greatly Increased.

The Board of Tax Assessors have completed the assessment of real and personal property in this city as a basis for the rate of taxation for this year. The Tax Assessors will swear to their returns on Saturday and on Monday. The rolls will be thrown open for public inspection, when persons who think they have been assessed at too high a figure will have an opportunity to enter protests and give evidence.

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The Dutch Pianist Cancels All Dates and Leaves the Country.

Believed to Have Sailed on the Steamship Paris for Europe Two Weeks Ago.

HIS DISAPPEARANCE A MYSTERY.

Dates for a Promising Season Had Been Booked, Including His New York Debut This Month—A Surprise to American Friends.

Martinus Sieveking, the young Dutch pianist, who has attained a high position in American musical circles during the past two years, is missing. In spite of a long season of dates booked in this and other cities he has suddenly disappeared and his friends believe he is now in Europe.

Arrangements had been made for his New York debut about the middle of this month, but now nobody knows where to find him. Even his manager and his more intimate friends are in the dark as to his whereabouts since he vanished, two weeks ago. His friends have done their utmost to suppress the fact of his disappearance, in the hope that he would return as suddenly as he left. But he has not returned, and the secret gradually leaked out and is now common property with professional people. Many theories are advanced in explanation of Sieveking's strange action, but none seems to be tenable. The pianist is said to be a man of regular habits and free of any eccentricity or peculiarity which might lead him to take such a step.

Inquiry at the offices of the Musical Courier and of Mason & Hamlen, his New York representatives, brought out statements to the effect that it is believed Sieveking sailed from New York on the evidence.

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George Kessler, a Wine Agent, Settles a Suit for Damages Out of Court.

Burst in the Door of John Graham's Room in Saratoga at Night and Knocked Him Down.

ALDERMAN DONOVAN IN THE ROW.

The Attack Was Made During the Democratic Convention Last Year, and Mr. Graham, of Sea Cliff, Brought an Action for \$5,000.

George Kessler, a wine agent, who is known about town as the "Count," paid \$1,250 on Monday last to cause a discontinuance of a suit to recover \$5,000 damages for attempted assault and trespass that was brought against him over a year ago by John Graham, an aged and wealthy real estate owner, who resides at Sea Cliff, L. I. The attempted assault and trespass occurred at Saratoga during the Democratic Convention of 1894.

Kessler, who is tall and athletic looking, and has figured in a number of assault cases in the Tenthers district, attended the convention in the interest of the wine firm by whom he is employed. Graham, who is more than sixty years of age, was there as the guest of Alderman Bartholomew Donovan, one of the delegates to the convention from the old Twenty-sixth (now the Thirty-third) Assembly District.

The night after the convention opened, Graham and Alderman Donovan, who roomed together in the same hotel, retired early. About 3 o'clock the following morning they were aroused by some one knocking heavily on the door of their room. The two men sprang out of bed, but before they could open the door it

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TALMAGE BREEDS SCHISM.

Friends Rally to His Support and Offer Him Co-Worker, Dr. Allen, \$1,000 to Resign.

Washington, Jan. 7.—This is Rev. T. De Witt Talmage's sixty-fourth birthday, and his trouble with the First Presbyterian Church is in a more complicated state than ever. Personal friends of the Rev. Adolph Allen made the following statement in reference to the difficulty to-day:

"There has been an element at work creating talk in favor of Dr. Talmage preaching twice on Sunday. This sentiment has been fostered by some of the trustees, and they have to a great extent ignored Dr. Sunderland and Mr. Allen in all consultations. The Board of Trustees had a meeting on Sunday, and Dr. Talmage was present, while the co-pastors were not invited."

"The next day the Rev. Mr. Allen was requested by Mr. R. W. Tyler, president of the Board of Trustees, to call at the pastor's office on important business. Mr. Allen went, and was somewhat taken aback when Mr. Tyler requested his resignation."

"The resignation was not accepted, and was indignantly rejected by the pastor. It is said, who stated that he would hold the church to the agreement entered into last Fall. Mr. Tyler, after hearing Mr. Allen's refusal, stated that the trustees would make no provision for his salary after January 1, 1896. The proposition was indignantly rejected by the pastor. Mr. Tyler's speaking for them, and a majority of them want Mr. Allen to remain. The congregation has taken exception to Mr. Tyler's speaking for them, and a powerful sermon."

SCHACNER'S BLOW WAS FATAL.

He Was Rodriguez's Opponent in the Prize Fight and is Held.

Coroner O'Meara began yesterday an inquest into the death of Henry Rodriguez, 322 Second avenue, who was killed in a prize fight in a stable at No. 418 East One Hundred and Twelfth street last Friday night. Policeman John F. Wade, of the East One Hundred and Fourth Street Station, said that he found Rodriguez's body on the stoop of the house where he lived, and after making an investigation found William Schacner, of No. 338 East One Hundred and Fourteenth street, who told him about the prize fight. The policeman admitted being in the stable with Rodriguez, who was killed by a man who knocked Rodriguez out of the ropes, and never regained consciousness.

William McVeigh, of No. 338 East One Hundred and Seventeenth street, one of the spectators at the fight, described the affair in detail. The fight, he said, was arranged by William Kenner, of No. 338 East One Hundred and Seventeenth street, and Coroner O'Meara held him, together with Kenner, to await the action of the Grand Jury. William Troja, the owner of the stable, and William Amrose, a stable hand, were held as witnesses.

The funeral of Fanny McCarthy, who died in the same house with Rodriguez, and who died on Saturday after a long illness in the Presbyterian Hospital, took place from the house yesterday. The remains were interred in Calvary Cemetery.

TO ADVANCE FREIGHT RATES.

Transcontinental Roads Agree on a Big Increase to Eastern Points.

San Francisco, Jan. 7.—Upon the authority of General Freight Agent Smurr, of the Southern Pacific, it may be stated that, by agreement among the transcontinental railroads, east-bound freight rates are shortly to be advanced. The advance will be made in the rates for the regular routine was made by Miss Easton, of the Episcopal Hospital Mission, Kensington, Philadelphia. She told of the suffering of advanced patients, which is situated among the workmen in the greatest mill district in the Quaker City.

Addresses were made in the afternoon by the Rev. Dr. W. R. Huntington, of Grace Church, on the "Closing of Liquor Sales on Sunday," and by the Rev. Dr. D. H. Greer, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, on "Counteractions to the Saloons." Excise Commissioner Charles H. Woodman sent a letter in which he said that he was in hearty sympathy with the work of the society, and spoke of the latest action of the Board in restricting the number of the saloons and in the interest of high license.

CRANKY CALLER ON MORTON.

Prompt Action by the Butler Saved the Governor from Trouble.

Albany, Jan. 7.—The story has just leaked out that the Governor narrowly missed an annoying visit from a crank at the Executive Chamber last week. Colonel Ashley W. Cole, the Governor's private secretary, says the facts are that on New Year's night a drunken man went to the door of the Executive Mansion and rang the bell so persistently that, although it was almost midnight, the butler answered it. The fellow took the butler unawares, and pushing the door open, rushed inside the house. He said in a rambling way that he wanted to see the Governor to shake hands with him. The butler, who was in the hall, saw the man and called for help. The man, who was in the hall, saw the man and called for help. The man, who was in the hall, saw the man and called for help.

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